

A G E N D A
COMMISSION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION
COMMISSION MEETING

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Thursday, June 8, 1995

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- II. Roll Call of Members and Determination of a Quorum**
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VIII. ADJOURNMENT -- Approximately 5:00 p.m.

The next meeting of the Commission will be on August 10-11, 1995

**State of Indiana
Commission for Higher Education**

Minutes of the Meeting

**June 8, 1995
Thursday**

I. Call to Order

The Commission for Higher Education met in regular session beginning at 4 p.m. in the Rendu Room of the St. Vincent Marten House Hotel and Conference Center, 1816 W. 86th Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, with Chairman Patrick Hoehn presiding.

II. Roll Call of Members and Determination of a Quorum

Members present: Mr. Karl Bandemer, Mr. Frederick Bauer, Mr. Mark Gerstle, Dr. John Gottcent, Dr. Arthur Hansen, Mr. Patrick Hoehn, Mr. Matthew Hopper, Mr. Vito Iovino, Ms. Patricia Lodyga, Ms. Nancy Ralston

Members absent: Dr. David Chube, Dr. Daisy Riley Lloyd, Mr. Daniel Tuley

The following institution presidents attended the meeting: T.K. Olson of the Independent Colleges of Indiana, Phillip Summers of Vincennes University, and John Worthen of Ball State University.

III. Consideration of the Minutes of the May Commission Meeting

R-95-6.1: RESOLVED: That the Commission for Higher Education does hereby approve the Minutes of the May Commission meeting. (motion-Lodyga, second-Gottcent)

Mr. Hopper read a statement honoring the late Matthew Welsh of Vincennes, a former governor of Indiana who contributed to Vincennes University and the community and used his influence to obtain additional funding for higher education. Chairman Hoehn called for a moment of silence in recognition of Mr. Welsh's recent death.

Chairman Hoehn recognized Representative Philip Warner and a delegation from Elkhart County comprised of business, education and government leaders. They gave a presentation related to expanding postsecondary opportunities in the Elkhart region and described the efforts of several Elkhart groups to draft a

Request for Proposals last fall by the Elkhart Chamber of Commerce Foundation. The RFP sought proposals for an institution to serve as a site administrator for postsecondary offerings. Many institutions responded, with Vincennes University being selected to serve as site administrator.

The State Budget Agency asked that the Commission issue an updated RFP to interested parties and the Commission staff is in the process of preparing a reissue of RFPs based on the current General Assembly appropriating just more than \$3 million for the biennium to provide educational opportunities in Elkhart County.

John Gildea, vice president of the Elkhart Chamber Foundation, said the community is concerned about the educational level of its work force, and he noted Elkhart is the largest county in Indiana without a public institution of higher education. A study commissioned by the Foundation showed that Elkhart County is the second-lowest of all Indiana counties in terms of the ratio of postsecondary degrees to overall county population. Because Indiana is 48th or 49th, this places Elkhart as among the lowest county in the nation in postsecondary participation rates.

A brochure of the delegation's efforts was distributed to Commission members (The information is available upon request).

Mr. Gildea added that a professional organization conducted focus groups made up of more than 125 community leaders. Those groups found that the current system of providing and marketing higher education in Elkhart County isn't working, and that new efforts should start small and start immediately.

Funding for these efforts can be available through public/private partnership, commitments of Tax Incremental Financing funds, and the city of Elkhart has assured infrastructure improvements. Bayer Corporation/Miles Laboratories could possibly donate a building and land for a learning center anchored by Vincennes University. An articulation agreement is underway between Vincennes University and Goshen College and potential agreements exist with 14 other education providers and area employers who are interested in providing cooperative agreements.

Vincennes was chosen as site administrator because its officials conveyed a vision and purpose and approached the organizers with enthusiasm.

More proposals on an Elkhart facility will be brought to the Commission, perhaps by November.

Mr. Michael Weaber, vice president and Elkhart site manager for Bayer Corporation/Miles Laboratories, invited the Commission to conduct meetings in Elkhart at a convenient time, to use the community as a base of action and to see community efforts. Mr. Hoehn thanked Representative Warner and the Elkhart delegation for the presentation, noting that the Commission anticipated a deliberate and timely continuation of this effort.

IV. Commissioner's Report

Dr. Clyde Ingle sought Commission input on three items related to Core 40. Those included the development of an eighth-grade data base, a communication hotline and development of a school report card to be used by public high schools in Indiana as a report on the success of their recent graduates. He proposed sending a spending plan for these measures to the State Budget Committee as soon as possible.

V. Decision Items

A. Capital Projects

1. Indiana State University Rhoads Residence Hall Renovation

Dennis Graham, vice president of business affairs at Indiana State University, said Rhoads Hall is a 30-year-old residence hall in need of upgraded restrooms, walkways and other infrastructure. A seventh-floor glass plaza is planned for the building which will include computers, study areas, laundry facilities. The open area will allow students a greater degree of contact with each other.

The \$3 million project will be paid for through the sale of housing and dining facility revenue bonds, not state funding, Mr. Graham said.

Mr. Robert Dinnen, assistant director of financial affairs, said the capital project is one of four planned residence hall renovations for Indiana State University in the upcoming few years. He recommended to the Commission that the other three be acted on as routine.

R-95-6.2 RESOLUTION: That the Commission for Higher Education recommend to the State Budget Agency and the State Budget Committee approval of the project *Indiana State University Rhoads Residence Hall Renovation* as described in the project description dated May 19, 1995. (motion-Gottcent, second-Lodyga)

2. Indiana State University Science Building Renovation Phases II, III, IV, and V

The project consists of replacement of electrical gear, air-handling equipment, fume hood replacement, laboratory upgrades, improved room ventilation, removal of temporary partitions and construction of permanent space on the third floor, addressing disability issues regarding elevators and restrooms, classroom upgrades, installation of a sprinkler system and other building code improvements.

Mr. Bandemer sought clarification of the funding for this project, which will include \$8.75 million in federal grants and \$2 million from bond refinancing savings.

R-95-6.3 RESOLUTION: That the Commission for Higher Education recommend to the State Budget Agency and the State Budget Committee approval of the project *Indiana State University Science Building Renovation Phases II, III, IV, and V*, as described in the project description and staff analysis dated May 23, 1995. (motion Hopper, second-Bandemer)

B. A Policy for Addressing Possible State Funding of University Advancement-Related Activities

Dr. Robert Ruble, director of financial affairs, said last month the Commission asked staff to prepare a policy on state funding of advancement-related activities. A policy was prepared, with the primary question staff responded to being what level of general fund support or appropriations and unrestricted student fees is appropriate for advancement-related activities such as public relations, alumni affairs or development of fundraising activities.

In consultation with the institutions, staff have developed four policy recommendations to be considered. They are outlined on page 18 of the agenda.

Dr. Hansen asked about the activities and powers of university foundations in terms of fundraising and their spending restrictions.

Mr. Fred Bauer moved to table this issue for further discussion at a later date. Mr. Karl Bandemer seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Dr. Ingle indicated that until discussion resumed in the future, Commission staff would act in accordance with the four policy recommendations.

C. Authorization to Proceed with Electronic Campus Budget for 1995-96

Dr. Karen Rasmussen, associate commissioner for policy and planning studies, told the Commission that this year, the Indiana General Assembly appropriated funds for distance education in southeastern Indiana in the amount of \$589,000 in 1995-96 and \$603,560 in 1996-97. These funds may be spent on approval of the State Budget Agency and after a review by the Commission and the State Budget Committee. Commission staff sought authorization to work on the proposed budget and when the proposal is satisfactory, to forward it to the State Budget Agency.

Chairman Hoehn asked the staff to provide some type of progress report on this issue. Dr. Rasmussen said the community coalition and the partnership for statewide education are aware that enrollment was less than desired in the school year just ended. She said one of the items for discussion between the coalition and the partnership is who is responsible for such things as marketing. Chairman Hoehn asked for particulars on advanced placement courses.

Mr. Bauer asked about the range of available courses. Dr. Rasmussen said there is quite a range of courses, but the difficulty comes in trying to put those courses together into programs. Students sign up for courses, but it is not easy for them to see individual courses leading to specific degree programs. Different institutions are in charge of different pieces, she said. There has been no way to advertise undergraduate degree programs collectively. Programs are individual institutions' responsibility.

Dr. Ingle echoed that there is no coherence in course packaging. Dr. Ingle said he would hesitate to let the issue dangle until August, because a lot of marketing needs to be done between now and then. He reminded the Commission that its initial intention was to look at the electronic campus as experimental, and he added that if it doesn't work, it should be phased out.

D. Report of Nominating Committee

Ms. Lodyga, chairman of the Committee, thanked the outgoing officers and announced that the Committee, consisting of Dr. David Chube, Mr. Vito Iovino and Ms. Lodyga, made the following recommendations: Mr. Patrick Hoehn as chairman, Mr. Stephen Ferguson as vice chairman and Dr. Daisy Riley Lloyd as secretary. Ms. Lodyga asked for nominations from the floor. Hearing none, Mr. Frederick Bauer moved that nominations be closed.

R-95-6.4: RESOLVED: That the Commission for Higher Education accept the recommendations of the Nominating Committee that Patrick Hoehn serve as Commission Chairman, Stephen Ferguson serve as Vice Chairman and Daisy Riley Lloyd serve as Secretary. (motion-Lodyga second-Bauer)

E. Calendar of Upcoming Meetings of the Commission

This item reaffirms the 1995 portion of the schedule formally adopted in December 1994 and sets meeting dates for the first six months of 1996.

R-95-6.5 RESOLVED: That the Commission for Higher Education reaffirm its calendar of meetings for July through December 1995 and adopt the additional schedule of meetings for January through June 1996. (motion-Iovino, second-Hansen)

Chairman Hoehn noted that the meeting was Dr. Ingle's last as commissioner and he read and offered a resolution to be entered into the record. Mr. Bandemer added he and the Commission would miss Dr. Ingle's "guiding hand" and the state would miss his involvement. Mr. Bauer, as the only current member who has been a member throughout Dr. Ingle's tenure, said Dr. Ingle made a remarkable contribution to his adoptive state of Indiana. Dr. Ingle said he was grateful for the comments and he called his experience as commissioner "a wonderful experience" and "great fun." He said he appreciated the opportunity to serve the Commission and the state.

R-95-6.6 RESOLVED: That the Commission for Higher Education, acting on behalf of the State: 1) Thanks Clyde Ingle for his twelve years of service to the Commission and the citizens of the State, and 2) Commends Clyde for his outstanding leadership of Indiana postsecondary education, and 3) Proclaims its great pride in Clyde's work on behalf of postsecondary education, and 4) Extends its sincere and best wishes for Clyde and Eva's next projects, whatever they may be, and hopes they will be rewarding, fulfilling and happy ones. (motion-Bandemer, second-Ferguson)

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m. The next meeting of the Commission is August 10-11, 1995 in Kokomo.

G. Patrick Hoehn, Chairman

Dr. Daisy Riley Lloyd, Secretary

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Resolutions

June 8, 1995

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